

**Summary and Response to Comments:** Negative Declaration and Initial Study Evaluating the Adoption of Rigid Plastic Packaging Container Program Regulation Revisions, November 2011.

| Comment Number  | Commenter                                     | Summary of Comment   | CalRecycle Response | Revisions Needed | Chapter/ Section |
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| <b>Public Comment Period:</b> November 4 – December 5, 2011             |   |  |                     |                  |                  |
| Note: CalRecycle received one comment letter containing three comments. |   |  |                     |                  |                  |
| 01  | Mark Murray,<br>Californians<br>Against Waste | We agree that the proposed project to revise existing RPPC Program Regulations will not have a negative impact on the environment. As the Negative Declaration states, and as CAW has noted many times before, the supply of postconsumer plastic resin more than exceeds the demand. There are currently more than 275,000 tons of plastics collected for recycling. If all of these plastic containers sold in California had to meet a 25% recycled content requirement, manufacturers would need about 200,000 tons of plastic.  | No response needed  | No               | NA               |
| 02  | Mark Murray,<br>Californians<br>Against Waste | This Negative Declaration provides evidence that the changes to the RPPC Program Regulations would not result in increased greenhouse gas emissions or other environmental impacts. In fact, the revisions to include 357.2 million more regulated RPPCs under the program and to increase postconsumer, recyclable resin utilized in RPPCs would result in a positive environmental effect. As the Negative Declaration has determined, the use of virgin plastic resin results in an average of 63% more greenhouse gas emissions compared to the use of recycled plastic resin. It would have a net environmental benefit by avoiding 68.08 million pounds of carbon dioxide equivalent from the use of virgin plastic. | No response needed  | No               | NA               |
| 03  | Mark Murray,<br>Californians<br>Against Waste | CAW strongly urges the adoption of the Negative Declaration and revisions to the RPPC Program Regulations.   | No response needed  | No               | NA               |